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1854 LETTERS FROM THOMAS CULLEN, ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

Extracted by Mary Lou Duncan, Grosse Pointe Shores, Michigan

Richard Elliott operated a foreign draft and passage office in Detroit from 1841-1891. As an emigrant agent, he arranged passage for thousands of those "coming over" from Ireland, England, and Europe to Michigan and vicinity. Elliott had agents in many Michigan towns. They included numerous priests, including Rev. Thomas A. Cullen in Ann Arbor. Father Cullen was one of the early Michigan priests of Irish lineage. Rev. James A. Hennessy was sent to help Father Cullen in Ann Arbor, then was transferred to Marshall, Michigan. Both of the priests helped parishioners send money to Elliott to provide passage tickets and money for their friends and relatives in the "old country." The thousands of letters that were sent to Elliott by his clients and agents are in the manuscript collection of the Burton Historical Collection, Detroit Public Library. Each year's business letters were bound into books by Elliott. The 1854 book was indexed by the name of the writer of the letter. Elliott numbered the pages in the book at a later date. Following are the letters Elliott received from Thomas Cullen in 1854. The initial line of each of the following entries gives the page number of the letter, the place from which it was written, date, and the signature as written. Although some were not signed, all are attributed to Reverend Cullen in the index. It is evident that they are in the same hand. Cullen's spelling of words has been retained. For further reference as to the ticket number, name of the emigrant, person paying for the ticket, cost, destination, and port of departure (usually Liverpool) refer to the book *Passage to America 1851-1869; The Records of Richard Elliott, Passenger Agent, Detroit, Michigan*, transcribed by Mrs. Duncan, and published by the Detroit Society for Genealogical Research.

p.19 Ann Arbor January 26/54 Thomas A. Cullen

Enclosed you will find $21.00 received by me from Mr. McCreery which you will please forward forthwith per the following directions Mr John McCreery
Teirnesk [?]
Castlefinn P. Office
Co Donegal Ireland

p.28 Ann Arbor Dec 1st/53 no signature

$73 Recd of John Smith Seventy three Dollars to be retained until 27 more is advanced [reverse side] $73 Deposited by John Smith

p.33 Ann Arbor Febr 5/54 Thomas Cullen

Recd of James Kelly $21 in favor of Mrs.[?] Charles Thomson Port William Wightonshire Scotland

p.34 Ann Arbor Febr 6th '54 Thomas Cullen

Recd of Daniel Cunningham $60 In favor of Mr[?] James Cunningham Maghreagh
Kilkeel P Office

Co Down Ireland

p.35 Ann Arbor **no date** **no signature**
Recd of John Smith $100 Mr[?] Bartholemew Smith Ranrowe[?]
Care of Rev Francis Farrell
Granard
Co Longford Ireland

p.46 no place **no date** **no signature**
Recd of Thomas Gilshannan $41.20 In favor of Mr Owen Gilshannan
Old Castle Old Castle P.Office Co Meath Ireland

p.47 no place **no date** **no signature**
Recd of Mrs Moloy $40 In favor of Miss Cathrine Milan
In care of Mrs May Modeligo Conna P. Office Co Cork Ireland

p.48 Ann Arbor **Febr 13th /54** **Thomas Cullen**
Recd of Thos Eagan $35, in favor of Johanna Cagan [Cajan?]
Care of Mr Michael Halenon
Fourth [*sic*] William
Ballingarry P. Office
Co Limerick Ireland

p.51 A. Arbor **Febr 15th /54** **Thos Cullen**
Recd of Patrick Byrne $26 In favor of Mr Patrick Jordan
Kilkiell Kilkiell P.O.
Co Down Ireland
We are all well here with respects to your family I remain yours

p.93 Ann Arbor **March 14th /54** **T. Cullen**
Can I call on you to assist me in procuring a small gold medal; if in Detroit Sister Lucretia is most likely to have them. If obtained please send it by letter inclosed at your earliest convenience And oblige yours most respectfully

p.102 Ann Arbor **March 20th 1854** **Thomas Cullen**
$26 Recd of Thos Butler $26 In favor of Miss Cathrine Corr
Care of Mr Bernard Corr
Carrick - Aclevan
Ballinnaugh P. Office
Co Cavan Ireland
This is to promise a Ticket for passage to Detroit - if not sufficient I will procure the deficiency for you Mine and the little family compliments to you all

p.103 Ann Arbor **March 20th 1854** **no signature**

Recd of Daniel Cunningham $15 In favor of Mary Cunningham Ballymartin KilKeal P. Office Co Down Ireland
The medal required a little larger than the one procured for your little nephew Mrs Eagle's son.

p.104 Ann Arbor March 21 /54 Thomas Cullen
Recd of Charles Hiland $26 In favor of Mr Patrick Hiland Portaferry Portaferry P. Office Co Down Ireland

p.109 Ann Arbor March 24th 1854 Thos Cullen
$67 Recd of John Arnold 67.00 In favor of Henry Blades
Saint Peters
Lynn P. Office
Norfolk England

p.110 no place March 24 /54 Thos Cullen
The inclosed letter with $15 accompaning it, is to be sent to the care of Miss Whyte Pressentation Convent & c In favor of Polly Donoghoe, send it free
You requested of me to send a few introductory letters to some merchants in New York in favor of your brother James that he might form their acquaintance. I regret my personal acquaintance with any that might lend their aid are not in a very prominent circle of life. When I see you on the next occasion I may if required at future occasion have recourse to other resources that may tend to all that we may desire. I cannot see you before your departure from Detroit. I wish you a most prosperous journey and safe return. I am all but distracted[?] with the neuralgy I got several teeth drew yesterday. My compliments with Mrs & Miss Cullen to the family at large & believe to remain ever your devoted friend

P.S. You will confer a great favor on me by procuring for me whilst in New York Dr Newmans Sermons Late adition. T.C.

p.115 A.A. 4/25 no signature
Recd of James Quinlin $26 In favor of Mr John Quinlan
Boherdote
Ula P. Office
Co. Limerick Ireland
Recd of John Horrigan $51.50. Being for a draft of £10.0.0 British currency
In favor of Mr Daniel Horrigan Solohead
Care of Rev Thomas Mahoney Solohead Tipperary P.Off. Co Tipperary Ireland

p.118 Ann Arbor April 6 /54 Thos Cullen
Dear Robert This draft has been protested and sent back. Roach [*sic*] brothers & Co seem to be no longer responsable or credited in their drafts on the Royal Bank of Ireland. If you can renew the draft do it emediatly On receipt of this write to me with all your news
Drop a line on receipt of this to Wm McCreery. He remitted.

p.129 Ann Arbor April 18th /54 T. Cullen

Recd of Johanna O Kieffe Ten dollars in favor of Mrs Cornelus O Kieffe Kinsale Co Cork Ireland

Recd of Cathrine Enright $34[?] In favor of Mr Simeon Enright Curren
In care of Mr Michael McGrath
Kilrush P. Office
Co Clare Ireland

p.136 Ann Arbor April 20th /54 Thos Cullen

In this weeks Treemans Journal I discover Roche Brothers & Co are loudly proclaimed. Beware and don't get bit by them.

In this find inclosed $31. In favor of Mrs Denis McNamara Cappanaugh
Care of Rev. P. McQuade
Clonlea Tulla P. Office
Co Clare Ireland

p.138 Ann Arbor April 21st /54 Thomas Cullen

Recd of Patrick & Christopher Dunnigan $50. In favor Mr Owen Dunnigan Castletown Kilpatrick Navin P.O. Co Meath Ireland

Recd of Christopher Kearns 50, In favor of Messrs James & Thomas Kearns Castletown Kilpatrick Navin P. Office Co Meath Ireland

Three dollars are inclosed to pay percentage on the whole

p.210 Ann Arbor May 24 /54 Thomas Cullen

Recd of Margaret Trehea $50 In favor of Mrs Winefred Sullivan Care of Mr. Thomas Reardon Main St Tipperary Co Tipperary Ireland

p.262 no place no date Thos Cullen

This draft calling for £2.18 was drew in favor of a rong person not by my mistake or yours and the remitter of the money wishes to have it corrected. The order lies in the P.O. in Ireland. And will be paid to the proper person on receipt of your next

Maurice McCarthy is a rong name

The draft is to be in favor of Mrs Honora Ready
MeenKilla
Abbyfeale P.O.
Co Limerck Ireland

Send £3.00 in full I will give you the percentage when I see you next We are all well I am happy to hear of your safe return Send the inclosed letter and draft together

p.270 A Arbor June 26th /54 Thos Cullen

$35 Rec'd of Mary Morresy thirty five dollars In favor of Mrs [?] Thomas Ryan Shrahavilla Care of Rev Mr Armstrong

Clonotty
Cashel P.Office
Co Tipperary Ireland

Please tell Mr. Ryan your foreman to send my coat and vest by Saturday next We are all well and unite in warmest regards to the family

p.287 no place **no date** **Thomas A. Cullen**

Received July 5th 1854 from Charles Short $7.50 in favor of Mr. John Short Clogher, County Tyrone, Ireland

p.291 Ann Arbor **July 6/54** **no signature**

$30

Received of Jeremiah Kennedy thirty dollars in favor of Honora Keough to be applied as passage ticket from Liverpool to Detroit the balance if any to be received by intendant emigrant in Ireland

Please direct as follows Miss Honora Keough
Care Mr John Keough
Knocklong
Knocklong P. Office
Co Limerick Ireland

p.294 Ann Arbor **July 10th 1854** **Thomas A. Cullen**

Enclosed find $5.13 from Jeremiah Kennedy as a draft for Miss Honora Keough which you will please remit with her passage certificate per the previous direction

p.485 Ann Arbor **November 21st 1854** **Thomas Cullen**

I send you enclosed $15.00 for which amount you will issue a draft, without deducting per Cartage in favor of Polly Donohoe. Such a draft you will please forward with the accompanying letter to Mrs. Whyte, Presentation Convent Carlow Co Carlow Ireland. You will also confer a favor by paying postage on the letters to Ireland and charge it to me

P.S. You will also find inclosed $10.30 received of John Wannery[?] for which you will please issue a draft in favor of Mrs Bernard Nanry[?] No. 1 Blackhall parade Dublin Ireland

p.492 Ann Arbor **Nov 23rd 1854** **no signature**

In my last communication to you I sent two remittances ($15.00 and $10.30) in the same letter. In the inside of the letter was given the account in regard to the manner in which the $15.00 was to be remitted and on the outside as a P.S. how the $10.30 was to go. On this day I received your favor acknowledging the receipt $15.00 only. Will you be so kind as to look more closely into the matter and by return of Post forward me Mrs Nanry's[?] receipt.

p.497 Ann Arbor **November 24th 1854** **no signature**

You will find enclosed $11.00 received from Mary Walsh in favor of Edward Walsh. For which amount you will please issue a draft and forward it with the accompanying letter to Mr. Edward Walsh, Gurawn [Gusawn?] Blackwater P. Office Co Wexford Ireland

p.503 Ann Arbor Nov 27th '54 Thomas A. Cullen

$11.00

Received of Ellen Burk $11.00 in favor of Mrs Margaret Burk (widow). Too which amount a draft is to be issued in Care of Revd. Mr. Howley P.P. Tipperary Post Office Co Tipperary Ireland. Who will please forward it to Mr. Thomas OBrien Henry Street Tipperary for Mrs. Margaret Burke

End of Record

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WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, SCHOOL DIRECTORY

For the use of
TEACHERS, SCHOOL OFFICERS And PATRONS
1925 – 1926

Milan Public School

School Officers:

President	George Dennison.
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Trustee:	F.M. Miller.

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Jeannette Butenschoen, Life	Grade
Margaret E. Eber, Life	Music and Art
Genevieve McLeod, Life	Primary
Clara N. Wilson, Life	Intermediate

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THOMAS JONATHAN COOPER FAMILY BIBLE RECORD

This Bible record has been kindly donated by former member Robert Taylor of Ann Arbor, Michigan. The Bible belonged to Thomas Jonathan Cooper who was one of the original landholders of Lima Township, Washtenaw County. Thomas J. Cooper was Robert Taylor's great-grandfather and came to Michigan from Vermont around 1830. He lived in Michigan until about 1862 when he removed to Wisconsin where he died. For additional data for this pioneer family see the Henry Harrison Cooper Family Bible, C-14, in the *GSWC Bible Registry*.

The New Testament, The American Bible Society, published by the Brattleboro Bible Company, Peck, Steen & Co., Agents, Brattleboro 1832.

MARRIAGES

Thomas Cooper and Caroline Baker were married December 22nd, 1825.
James B. Cooper was married June 17th, 1852.
Eliza J. Cooper was married January 27th, 1853 to E. L. Parker.
Julia Caroline Cooper was married to T. J. Smith, Sept. 12th, 1854.
Thomas Jefferson Cooper and Mary E. Washburn were married March 24, 1857.
Ellen Elizabeth Cooper and Chas. L. Rice were married Aug. 24th, 1868.
Rollin C. Cooper and Emma C. Hutchins were married Sept. 14th, 1870.
H.H. Cooper and Lizzie Latshaw were married Aug. 26th, 1876.
Ellen E. Rice and Geo. W. Barnard were married Sept. 2nd, 1875.
Eliza J. Parker and N.C. Palmatier were married Dec. 17th, 1865.
T.J.Cooper and Lucy Washburn were married June 8th, '82.

BIRTHS

Thomas Cooper was born February 22nd, 1804.
Hannah Caroline Cooper was born June 15th, 1807.
Julia Caroline Cooper was born January 28th, 1827.
James Burnett Cooper was born September 30th, 1828.
Thomas Jefferson Cooper was born September 3, 1830.
Mary Elizabeth Cooper was born February 15th, 1833.
Eliza Jane Cooper was born July 22nd, 1835.
Henry Harrison Cooper was born Nov. 3, 1840.
Ellen Elizabeth and Edwin Graham Cooper were born April 25th, 1843.
Charles Rollin Cooper was born September 30, 1845. (R.C.)
George Baker Cooper born Nov. 28th, 1848.
Arabella Jenny Cooper was born December 21st, 1850.
David Baker was born Nov. 30th, 1751.
Phebe Baker was born June 18th, 1756.
James Baker was born March 18th, 1779.
Elizabeth Baker was born March 20th, 1780.
George W. Baker was born Apr. 19th, 1800.
Delia Ann Baker was born Oct. 20th, 1801.

Hannah Clarissa Baker was born July 13th, 1803.
Hannah Caroline Baker was born June 15th, 1807.
Phebe Baker was born June 8th, 1810.
Stephen Baker was born Sept. 1st, 1812.
Clarissa Baker was born May 20th, 1815.
William W. Baker was born June 1st, 1817.
Eliza Ballard Baker was born Feb. 23rd, 1819.
Julia Louisa Baker was born May 14, 1821.
Jane Baker was born April 5th, 1823.

DEATHS

Jonathan Cooper died January 13, 1813.
Mary Cooper died January 26, 1829.
Mary Elizabeth Cooper died Feb. 24th, 1841, aged eight years, ten days.
James Baker died October 10th, 1851, aged 72.
Thomas Cooper died January 26th, 1889-Jan.
Mary E. W. Cooper died February 16th, 1880.
Chas. L. Rice died June 11th, 1871.
E.L. Parker died (no information recorded).
N.C. Palmatier died Nov. 29th, 1888.
Geo. W. Barnard died Jan. 24th, '95
Ellen E. Barnard. died Jany. 18, 1909.
Emma C. Cooper, wife of Rollin C. Cooper, died Sept. 29th, 1929.
Hannah Clarissa died Oct., aged 3 months.
Julia Louisa Baker died 2nd Jan., aged 20 months.
Jane Baker died Dec. 4, 1856.
Eliza B. Baker died March 16th, 1840.
William W. Baker died (no date).
Stephen Baker died February 4th, 1848.
George Baker Cooper died March 9th, 1849.
Caroline Cooper died Feb. 6th, 1862.
Edwin G. Cooper died Feb. 27th, 1865.
Belle J. Cooper died May 27th, 1868.
Uncle Geo. W. Baker died August 14th, '91.

GSWC Bible Records Registry

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IN MEMORIAM

HERBERT E. CONANT

5 May 1905 -- 10 October 1999

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FRIENDS WRITE FROM WEBSTER TOWNSHIP, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN TO DEVONSHIRE HAWKES, IRELAND

(Part Two continued from Vol. 26 page 7)

Dexter, 10th October 1841

My dear Devonshire,

I got your letter a few days ago and waited for a few days to make enquiries if there would be any chance of disposing of your place here and I am sorry to say from the low prices and scarcity of money in this country that you would have very little chance of disposing of it for cash as there has not been a farm sold here since you left. The Yankees made --- farms every day but scarcely pay any cash and under the present circumstances anything else would be of no use to you.

I have made up the acct. of the debts due by you here, which will be on the other side also the money paid by me for you and what I recd. yester in Dexter. I had to confess judgments in favour of George Warner and Co. for $77.61 cents. in three Judgments and one only goes six months, Another I had to give Sheppeard on balance of Swifts Executors and it will not be in my power to pay them except by letting them sell, which I must do to save my bails.

The acct. of Swifts is $35.81. That you should have to come to the determination of not coming back now, and not at first, is most unfortunate as all the money which I have paid on our acct. I could have settled the Yankees out, or at least for the present lent. Now we must make the best of it. Dennis Shehan told me the other day that he would distrain the land and it would not surprise me at all. I really do not know what best to be done and I wish I was back again in Ireland. I have raised a good deal of crops since you went and hired little help and I have not been able to pay what I owed here when you went away with all my exertions to do so. I think the best way for the present would be for you to send me a deed of the place which any person can draw upon a sheet of 8d. paper and the only difference you need make that you were formerly living in the County of Washtinaw and State of Michigan but now that you reside in the County of Cork and Kingdom of Ireland the Magistrate must also write Just. of the Peace for Cork County, Ireland. You recollect the Judgt. you stayed for Rufus Nichols for $50 he has never paid that and now does not own any property and is going off to Iowa territory on to the Rocky Mountains so that by getting a deed on record immediately some of these can be avoided, besides I am not security for all that is due. You could seal the deed and send it as any letter the following is a list of debts that are now due:

D. Shehern $200, in April 3 years interest –41.
R. Nichold – 48 – interest – 6.72
P. Gaoleagher – 48 – interest 6.72
Nobles the Smith –to.00 – interest 1.40.

Wing and Warne – 77.61
Swift $35.
Sherman – 30.00 – interest 4.00 Total $509.65

I suppose you could not think there could be so much due, but the interest very soon swells the original out in one note of yours ---- ----- interest was $4.20 due over four years, the whole of what I paid is about $235. I owed $13 when you went away. John Gillman owes me on your acct. $10.50 for hay I sold him but he says that Tozer also owes for hay but I am afraid to do any thing on acct. of the Rifle Service. Mr. O'Brien has also sold his property and I think will never pay the note he gave to you. Can not you settle up some of the pressing debts here and keep the farm for a few years, if I had a deed of it I would not think it much harm to keep Gov. Munday out of the note Nichols sold him and Nichols goes away and leaves you --- --- of $50 with cost and interest.

Will you send the deed tome as quick as you can and also write to tell me what you will do. Except you send money I do not know how I will get over the judgts. I stayed on your acct. I have not more to say. I am sorry I cannot send you a letter out but it is just so I have another letter to write to my mother. I never let them know any business between you and me. Remember me to Henry and I remain yours, Jonas Gillman.

The above letter was sent by Jonas Gillman, Esq. Co. Washtanow, Michigan Stare, America, to Devonshire Penrose Hawkes Esq. Crookstown, County Cork, Ireland.

Susan Laville writes also: I have the original deeds for land belonging to Rufus Nichols in Dexter. One deed is for 40 acres dated 10th April 1838, and the other is for 68 acres and 65 hundredths of an acre, dated 6th August, 1827. The letters are typed copies and everything is in the grey file marked "Clarges and Hawkes letters".

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Dexter, August 14th, 1842

My dear Devonshire,

I received your letter dated the 30th June and I went to Denis immediately and showed the letter to him and he laughed at the idea of it. I wrote you a letter a short time go and told how affairs were here, if you had done as I asked you it would not have happened. John Gillman met the Constable (a few days ago), that has the Execution against Matt. C. O'Brien and he told John that he would put on to your land for it, when you promised to send me a deed of the place. I(f) you had done so I could have prevented the worst of this and at the meeting of the court at Ann Arbor in May last Denis would have got a Judgement if I did --- --- --- him and he turned round there and got the Judgt. against my land but he says it is only to secure himself for he will not do anything --- after yours is sold but he does not think that it will be sufficient for the cost and debt; I wish you would bring out your wife and live here * and you will get to be somebody, you may be one of the representatives you would have as good a chance as Cust. If I had lived here they would have made me Justice of the Peace in April but now I intend to give up farming I always had plenty of work and I made very little.

I sowed 12 acres last fall, and I will not have 5 0 bushels of wheat. I will send you the account for $79, and I do not know what to do, I did not put in any spring crop this year except corn and it is only filling out now when it ought to be fit to make --- --- --- there will not be an ear of corn in this part of Michigan as for the deed that you promised me I do not care any thing about it, but I think you ought to pay what I went security for Patrick Galigher and Wing I am security for --- --- I was anxious to have had it on records here as I knew as soon as Rufus would go away, Sherman would do something for the $50 you stayed for Nichols over three years ago.

The debt you stayed for O'Brien will be against you yet I rather you would keep the land if the money is not paid before the 1st of May it will be sold immediately after Denis's debt is now with cost $280 and two more --- by Sherman and the other by Gov. Mondy for the note you gave Rufus I hope you will do something immediately, I wrote to my brother for $250, and I would have paid Denis but now I can get Lamb's farm for $350, John brought Edmundson's farm for his farm and $230 and 4----- to pay half the old farm of John's would be sold for $250, half what John gave for it. I remain your affectionate friend Jonas Gillman.

1839 Dr. to D.P. Hawkes.
To Cash pd. Fares $8.87
1841. Jany 21st to cash paid W.H. Case 6.60
Feby 17th to Wing cash paid 67.86
Feby 17th Derby cost of 5.7.84
Feby 17th Millard Cash paid 11.68
Feby 17th Gregson cash paid 11.50

D. Brown 7.00
P. Connor 2.00
Sept. 6th Sheppard 85.0
pd. Sill 6.25
Nobles, Prickary (?) 4.00
Squire Furness (?) 1.00
Wing for orders for Mrs. Nichols 2.50
Paid Shepherd on my note for 115.00
With cost 35.78
Total $257.88

Owe
By acct. Due by me 13.00
By John Dolan, note 4.00
By M.C. O'Brien 25.00
By £20 100.00
By 25 bushels w. at 4/6d W.
10 bushels 13.12

By 20 bushels wt. Sold to Rufus at 3.7.50

sold W. Clap for A.B. Petersens note 3.00

By 10 h sold W. Clap for his note - $6 –5.00
By £20 on Pimm and Co. 100.00

Erapus (?) note 5.00
Total $250.62

The above is the account that I have paid and recd. from you. O'Brien will not pay he is in New Orleans for the last 12 months and left his wife and family next to starving he does not --- ---- of property the wh(e)at you sowed was killed a great deal by the fly. 4/6 was the highest price for wheat that year and none of it would sell in Market.

The above letter was addressed to Devonshire P. Hawkes Esq., Elinglyse, Crookstown, Co. Cork, Ireland.

- Susan writes: See above"I wish you would bring out your wife and live here. . . ." Fat chance! Ellen Clements was a very sophisticated and pretty girl, used to smart parties in Dublin and mixing with the County set in Cork. Very conscious of the fact that her

mother, Elisabeth Clarges, came from a well-connected and rich family, and that her great-uncle, Anthony St. Leger, had been the great friend of the Prince Regent. Grubbing around on a farm in the prairies would not have suited her! My grandmother, who knew her in her old age, always said she was a "very cold, grand, woman."

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Dexter, 12th March 1844

Dear Sir,

At the request of my Sister take the liberty of answering your letter of the 10th of Janr. which she recd. a few days after the death of her husband Jonas Gilman Esq. your late friend who died on the 15th of Febr. last of an Epidemic fever and only a few days illness about three of which he was confined to his bed he was attended by the doctors in Dexter and here but all to no purpose, previous to his death he was insensible and left his affairs unsettled, tho' pressure of the times and low price of produce leaves him considerably in debt in or about 600 dollars, including £50 from his friends at home. It may be more not having got in the Claims against him as yet, the appraisment of his lands from the probate Court amount to $925, one third of which his widow is left with his personal and asset property by the laws of the country, and the other two thirds to satisfy his creditors, any balance remaining (if any) to go to his next heirs which are his mother Brothers, and sisters, if there be no issue. They were only 3 months married and living happy when disappointed by will of Providence. Respecting myself and the rest of our family we are all well thank God and have removed to Amherstburgh 18 miles from Detroit on the Canada Side, where I keep store and do better than I have done. Respecting your enquiry, Jonas recd' the Deed and Mr. Cust and family are well, Miss Cust is not married yet and should you feel disposed at any time to write to direct your letter to Amherstburgh, Canada West.

Yours Truly,

James Baker

Above letter addressed to Devonshire Hawkes Esq., Eelenglyn, Crookstown. Then follows: N.B John and family are well and he wrote to the mother of Jonas respecting his death, his wife Margaret being in great grief for one of the mildest and best of husbands did not write, and had not seen John's letter being written immediately after his death, but wishes you might forward Mrs. Gilman this letter with her desire to receive one from her and would be much gratified in answering the same or Corresponding in future, there may be some mistake in John's letter being written so early, and not having seen it is the reason of wishing to give his information in full. The property managed with economy might amount to more, but on discovery so might his debts also, any communication to his afflicted widow, directed as usual Dexter Post Office, will be thankfully recd. by her and replied to in due time. I remain yrs. most sincerely, James Baker.

(To be continued)

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Compiled by Barbara Snow

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942/A Catalogue — *Catalogue of searches in the genealogical records of England.* The Centre for English Genealogy, Salt Lake City UT. 1989. Gift of Win Pierce.

942/A Holding — *World War I army ancestry,* Norman H. Holding. 1982. Gift of Win Pierce.

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975.7/A Holcomb SC — *Marriage and death notices from the up-country of South Carolina: as taken from the Greenville newspapers 1826-1863,* Brent H. Holcomb, C.A.L.S., comp. 1983. Gift of Barbara Giezentaner.

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976.1 Walker *History of Walker County: its towns and its people,* John Martin Dombhart. 2002. Gift of Barbara Giezentaner.

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977.435 Ann Arbor *Ann Arbor Headlight: souvenir edition.* Washtenaw Historical Society. 1896. Gift of Agnes Dikeman.

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GEORGE V. HAWKINS FAMILY BIBLE RECORD

This Bible record has been kindly donated to the Genealogical Society of Washtenaw County Michigan, by Russell Bidlack of Ann Arbor, Michigan, from a collection in his possession.

The Christian's Complete Holy Bible, printed by Martin & Hunter, No. 10, Haymarket, Birmingham, 1809.

BIRTHS

R. Hawkins born Novr. 14th, 1814.
George Hawkins born Jany. 2nd, 1816.
Fanny Hawkins born Feby. 5th, 1819.
Emma Hawkins born Septr. 24th, 1819.
James Henry Hawkins born August 15th, 1823.
John Edward Hawkins born Feby. 9th, 1825.

MARRIAGES

Geo. V. Hawkins & Rachel A. Burroughs was married the 28th Nov., 1847.

Edwin Richard) Hawkins, born 1st Septr., 1848
Edward John)

GSWC Bible Records Registry

QUERIES AND REQUESTS

DAVENPORT
ISBELL
ORR

William Orr came to Washt Co from Oakland Co abt 1867 with his wife and several adult ch. He settled York Twp nr his son Henry Seldon Orr. Henry poss had 3 sons; William H. and his wife Ella had 2 ch: Leona marr poss William Isbell 1882; Lulu marr poss Nelson Davenport 1885. Nd all info esp ddt and burpl of all.

Sharon Orr, 4809 E. 13th St., #9. Cheyenne, WY 82001. Email: ed-sharonorr@juno.com

CRIPPEN
PARIS

Hattie A.T. Crippen, age 92 res. at the Chelsea Retirement Community, Chelsea, Mich. in 1955. Sk all info about Hattie. How does she fit into my Crippen fam, first settlers of Superior Twp?

Mrs. Elnore Paris, 75 Edison Court, Coldwater, MI 49036-1028.

BARKER
EVERETTE
FELL
KENNEDY
LEONARD
WHITE

John White b. SCT bef 1810 d. betw 1854-1870 poss in OH or MI. His wife Martha Kennedy b. 1810 Mullen Head, IRL d. 1897 Rawsonville, MI bur Pleasant View Cem Van Buren Twp., Wayne Co. She remarried to John Everette b. ca 1800 NY d. bef 1880. John White & Martha had five ch: John, Matilda, Nancy, William, Mattie. Mattie b. 1854 in Port Clinton Sandusky, OH d. 1945 in Royal Oak, MI, marr 29 June 1875 Washt Co William A. Fell. Martha found in 1870 census in Ypsilanti next door to William & Mattie Fell. Leonard Fell b. Lancaster ENG 1815 d. 1871 Denton, MI marr Isabella Barker b. 1819 d. 1877. Two ch: William A. Fell b 1851 d. 1919 Detroit; Eliza Fell b. 1856. Sk death recs for John White, Martha Everette, Isabella Barker, Eliza Fell. Also seeking Isaac Leonard d. 8 Mar 1900 bur Pleasant View Cem. (Also called Soop Cem.)

Vicky L. Greig, 43656 Via Antonio, Sterling Hts, MI 48314. E-mail: vgreig@comcast.net

LAURAIN
MORAN
TRUCKEY

Theodore Truckey b. Detroit, MI 1836 or 1839 d. 6 Apr 1887 Omaha, NE. He marr Sarah Cecilia Laurain 9 Aug 1860 at St. Anne's Detroit. Theodore & Sarah Cecilia are both bur in Omaha. Fam Bible has child Emma J. b. 22 Jul 1862 d. 6 Aug 1862. There is no rec of this at St. Anne's. Did Emma d. in Ypsilanti? Another ch Ida A. Truckey b .11 Aug 1863 in MI. Theodore enlisted in Co G 27 MI Inf at Ypsilanti. By 1867 he was not in MI. Sk death and burial of Emma J. Truckey and birth rec of Ida A.Truckey.

Mary C. Moran, 9028 Loyal Ave NW, Seattle, WA 98117. E-Mail: Moran@lasher.com

BULLARD
FELLOWS
TUTTLE, WINTON

Cynthia Tuttle or Cynthia Winton probable dau of James Fellows who d. 1847 and Phoebe Fellows who d. 1859. Nd proof. Are probate records available?

April Bullard, 6414 SW Skiver Dr., Aloha, OR 97007. E-mail: bullard@dsl-only.net

ANDERSON
GILLET
HOAG
ROBISON

Andrew Robison b. 18 Nov 1800 Phelps, Ontario Co., NY d. 27 Jan 1879 Sharon Twp Washt Co m. Gertrude Hoag b. 1798 Claverack, Columbia Co, NY d. 1 June 1878 Sharon. Their son John Jay Robison b. 13 Aug 1824 Phelps, Ontario Co, NY d. 26 Oct 1897 Sharon marr Altha Esther Gillet b. 1825 in Ontario Co, NY d 26 May 1904 Detroit, MI. Are there books that mention these ancestors?

Richard M. Anderson, 7916 Winston Rd, Phildelphia, PA 19118-3522.
E-mail:randers@comcast.net

FROEBE
ROEDELL

G-gf Friedrich Anton Herman Roedell b. 11 Dec 1837 Neustadt an der Orla Sachsische Schweiz Co, Sachsen (Saxony), GER d. 18 Jan 1904 Pekin, Tazewell Co, IL marr 8 Feb 1866 in German Colony, Wild Fowl Bay, Huron Co, MI Amelia Eleanora Froebe. Herman known in the US as Herman F.A. Roedell. Herman em to US May 1852 with bro and 2 sis. Two sis and a bro lived in Chelsea, MI poss from 1852. The sibs of Herman who may have em to US are: Christina Rosina Wilhelmina Roedell b. 1833; Bertha Emilie Roedell b. 1830; Emma Bertha Wilhelmina Roedell b. 1824; Karl Friedrich Roedell b. 1822. Edwin Julius, s/o Herman b. Chelsea 3 Oct1868. Herman res later in Huron Co, MI at Ora Labora, mvd in 1877 to Logan Co, IL. Sk all info re the bro and sis who lived in Chelsea. A letter of 1897 refers to a sister in Chelsea (name not known).

Elizabeth A. Roedell, 42 East Countryside Dr., Princeton, NJ 08540.
E-mail: Eroedell@worldnet.att.net

ALFORD
ANDERSON
AVERY
BENTLEY
DE GROOTE
DOTY
JOHNSON
NEWALL

William Henry Doty, called Henry, b. NY ca 1832 or 1834, d. Jan 1920 Dundee MI, bur Maple Grove Cem Dundee MI. Marr 1st Emily. What happened to Emily? She is lost after birth of son Oliver in 1861. When did she die? Where is she bur? She had 3 ch: William Henry b. 1856 MI d. 1929 Mishawaka IN marr 1886 Cassopolis MI Ellen DeGroote; Alice b. 1859 marr S.S. Johnson of Clinton IA; Oliver E. b. 1861 d. 1916 Elkhart IN. 2nd wife of Henry (William Henry) Sophronia Delaphina Avery Alford b. Monroe Co NY 4 May 1841 d. Milan, MI April 16, 1902, bur County Line Cem Monroe Co, marr Jan 1864 in Augusta. Her obit in Milan newspaper. 3 ch: Eva marr George Newall of Dundee; Lucy marr James Bentley of Milan; Arthur of Howell then Milan. Sk pars and obit for Henry. Is there linkage to Edward Doty who came on Mayflower?

Mr. James E. Anderson, 55311 Filbert Rd., Mishawaka, IN 46545.

CHAPMAN
WILLIAMS

Sk copy of Chapman, 1881, *History of Washtenaw County, MI.* Prefer reprint copy with indexes.

Karl E. Williams, #1182, 9105 West Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth, MI 481705103.
E-mail: KayKarl@aol.com

CANNON
HAM
HALLAS

Lt. George Ham Cannon b. 5 Nov 1915 Webster Grove, MO, father Benjamin B. Cannon III, mother Estelle N. Ham. George and his mother resided in Ann Arbor since 1928. He graduated 1938 from UM, Mechanical Engineering. Graduate of R.O.T.C. and received a Marine appt. from the Corps. Died 7 Dec 1941 Midway Island, Hawaii. Siblings Benjamin B. Cannon IV, Margaret Cannon. Nephew of Gen. Samuel Vinton Ham, WWI army officer. Sk info about his father and other relatives as well as local remembrances of this Ann Arbor hero, for whom the U.S.S. Cannon was named.

James H. Hallas, 116 Ames Hollow Rd., Portland Ct, 06480.

BORCHARDT
BRIGHT
KRAUSE
SCHULTZ

Gustave Borchardt b. 1863 GER d. 24 Dec 1902 Lincoln, IL; wife Anna Marie Schultz b. 1862 GER d 9 Feb 1937 Lincoln, IL. Son John Borchardt b. poss 1895 or 1897 U.S. d. poss Ann Arbor Mar 1969. In 1910 cens of West Lincoln Twp., Logan, IL, John was age 15 b. IL and the bro-in-law of William H. Krause and wife Ida T. Krause. Sk ddt obit and probate; any other info appreciated.

Mrs. Joan Bright, 142 Jay Ave., Morton, IL 61550.

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DEATH OF HANNAH LAWRENCE DOTY, 1882

Ann Arbor Courier, 15 Sep 1882.

DIED. DOTY- Entered into rest, September 6,1882, at Ann Arbor, Hannah Lawrence, wife of Samuel R. Doty, and mother of Duane Doty, of Pullman, Ill., Helen Doty Compton and Clara Doty Bates, of Chicago, Elisa Doty and Charlotte Doty Finley, of Ann Arbor. While her life was one of devotion to her family, her hands were never empty nor idle for the needy or unfortunate. Her intellect was of a high order and her nature and character rare and beautiful. Her children arise up and call her blessed.

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IN MEMORIAM

PAUL BACHMANN

18 May 1933 -- 1 October 2002

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STRAYS

Wyoming County (N.Y.) Herald, Fri. Aug. 16, 1901

Mrs. J.W. Jackson entertained the following relatives and friends during last week: Victor Jackson of New York; Walter J. Jackson, wife and son of Ann Arbor, Mich.; Harry H. Jackson and wife, of Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Carrie A. Doane and Mrs. Fred Stoddard of North Brookfield, Mass. The Messrs. Jackson were former residents of Arcade but are now prominent dentists of their respective cities.